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THE TRUE GLORY OF AMERICA.

BY ORENVILLE MELLEN.

The light that time pours round a land,

A sacred light, may be,

But leads not to a great command,

Like that which crowns the Free!

And holy that unfaded light,

Which lingers with the dead;

But then the beams, how passing light,

That fire the path we tread!

Then tell me not of years of old,

Of ancient heart and clime;

Ours is the land and age of gold,

And ours the hallowed time!

The jewel'd crown and sceptre

Of Greece have pass'd away,

And none of all who wept her

Could bid her splendor stay.

The world has shaken with the tread

Of iron-sandal'd crime—

And fast, o'ershadowing all the dead,

The conqueror stalk'd sublime!

Then ask I not for crown and plume

To nod above my land;

The victor's footstep point to doom—

Graves open round his hand!

The memory of our monarch Man

We gather now to sing,

Who, when Columbus' years began

Their light on Time to fling,

To Freedom's altar-place came up,

Before his hand to bow,

And lift to God her golden cup,

With sacrifice and vow—

Is not that meaner memory

Which lingers with a crown!

Tis the light that links man with the sky;

The light he lays not down!

Rome! with thy pillar'd palaces

And sculptur'd heroes, all

Snaith in their warm triumphant days

To Art's high festival—

Rome! with thy giant sons of power,

Whose pathway was on thrones,

Who built their kingdoms of an hour

On yet unburied bones—

I would not have my land like thee,

So lofty—yet so cold!

Be her's a lowlier majesty,

In yet a nobler mould.

Thy marbles—works of wonder!

In thy victorious days,

Whose white lips seem'd to sunder

Before th' astound'd gaze!

When statue glar'd on statue there;

The living on the dead,

And where as silent pilgrim's were

Before some sainted head—

O, not for faultless marbles yet

Would I the light forgo;

That beams when other lights have set,

And art herself lies low!

I ask not for the chisel's boast—

A Pantheon's cloud of glory

Bathing in Heaven's soon the host,

Of those who swell her story!

Though these proud works of magic hand,

Fame's rolling trump shall fill,

The best of all those peoples bands

Is pulseless marble still.

And though no classic madness here

With quick transforming eye,

Bid beauty from the block appear

Till love stand doubtless by.

I care not—for a brighter wreath,

Than round the Parian brows

Of those whose sculpture seem'd to breathe?

Shall wait no holier vot.

And ours a holier hope shall be.

The consecrated bursts,

Some softer means of memory

To snatch us from the dust,

And ours a sterner art than this

Shall fix our image here—

The spirit's mould of loveliness

A nobler Belvidere!

His spirit that in thunder spoke

In beautiful command

To list'n worlds, like sun shall break,

Undimm'd on every land!

Until the beats of sun and star

Shall die on mount and cloud,

And virtue's pillars sink afar

Mid the older wrecks, and proud!

The spirit that this ocean shout

Hails with its holy morn,

Yet sweeps the lomin'd path about—

We bow to Washington!

Then let them bind with bloomless flowers

The busts and urns of old;

A fairer heritage be ours—

A sacrifice less cold!

Give honor to the Great and Good,

And wreath the living bough,

Kindling with virtue's mantling blood—

And pay the tribute now!

So when the great and good go down,

The statue shall arise—

To crowd those temples of our own—

Our fadless mem'ries!

And when the sonard marble falls,

And all goes on to die,

Our form shall live in holler halls—

The Pantheon of the sky!

From the Metropolis.

THE PIRATE OF THE ORONOKO.

It was at the close of a sultry day in July, 1836, when a British mail packet, commanded by James Lowe, driven out of her course by southerly winds, made land near the mouth of the River Oronoko, a well known rendezvous for Spanish Buccaneers.

As the packet was beating along the coast a sail was descried, which, upon examination proved to be a brig running down for the mouth of the river.

Suspicion was immediately awakened that all was not right with her, and the determination was instantly formed by the gallant captain of the packet, who, by the way, was a native of Scotland, to ascertain her character and condition; he accordingly ran up the ensign of Old England, and the Brig, in answer, showed the stars & stripes of the young republic of the West.

It was a beautiful afternoon—the sea was unruled, excepting by the gentle whisper of the land breeze—and the shore, clothed in the rich mantle of a tropical summer, seemed fair and verdant as Eden; the scent of the orange and wild flower came off upon the breeze, and the hoary mountain peaks of the interior, flashed back the last smile of departing day—the man-of-war bird sailed heavily along the horizon, and the flamingoes, like an army of red-coats, were seen marching in perfect order along the shell-strewn beach.

As the packet drew near the brig, she squared away, evidently with the design of running on shore. At this moment a gun was fired across her bow, and the chase began. Capt. Lowe now sprang to the gang way, and hailed the Brig, and was informed by the captain who was on deck, that he was in the hands of a band of Spaniards, that his crew was below in irons; and then added he, in a low tone—"in God's name, save us, or we are lost!" At this moment the captain of the Brig was seized by the freebooters, and borne below. Captain Lowe glanced his eye along the deck of the chase and discovered that the pirates were at least double his own crew in numbers, and that they were well armed.

He thought of the mail he was carrying, a trust of great responsibility, and was hesitating what course to adopt, when the Packet glided by the stern of the Brig. At this moment he perceived the heads and arms of two beautiful females, stretched out of the cabin windows, and heard the cry, of "save us or we perish!"—echo in all the agony of despairing hope along the waters.

The bloody haunt of the pirates was nigh at hand—a few miles beyond the wild vines and tall forest trees, that hung like bending giants over the silver stream of the Oronoko, towered the fort of the scourges of the ocean, & crime and death held dire communion there.

Capt. Lowe ordered the drum to beat to quarters, the matches were lighted, the great guns pointed towards the Brig, and the small arms men stood ready to obey his orders.

"Man the cutter," thundered the resolute commander. The cutter was manned by all his crew, excepting one man, and under the command of the Lieutenant, swung at the side of the Packet.

"He is here, Anne," said the delighted Capt. Cleveland.

"Board the chase," shouted the Captain, and away flew the cutter to execute the prompt commands of the leader. Captain Lowe and one assistant stood by the long guns—they having been brought to bear upon the Brig's deck; with a stern voice he now ordered the brig to surrender. Panic struck by this bold and determined conduct, the Brig was surrendered without a struggle, and the Banner of England floated at her ensign peak.

Upon reaching the deck of the prize, Capt. Lowe was met by the liberated crew and passengers, and almost overwhelmed with the thanks and tears of gratitude of those whom he had preserved from death.

He turned away to conceal his emotion, and as he cast his eyes toward the cabin hatch way, he perceived a beautiful girl of eighteen, dressed in a neat dress of spotless white, with her long raven tresses floating gracefully over her shoulders, bending down in the act of prayer, with her eyes turned up to the God of the innocent; awe-struck and charmed by her beauty he waited until she came forward to thank her deliverer, and then, with a heart beating with emotions of pity and love, he accompanied the grateful passengers to the cabin.

This resolution was highly approved, & until such an arrangement could be made Captain Lowe became an inmate of the Cleveland family. Three weeks passed away, and at the commencement of the fourth, to the surprise of every one in Norfolk, the beautiful Ann Cleveland became the bride of the stranger Captain.

How he pleads, how she sighs, how I won,

and how she blushed, I will not trust yon to tell; but that the whole business was performed according to the usages of the savage state, I have no reason to doubt.

And now in the county of Northumberland,

surrounded by a numerous family, Capt. Lowe tills the soil of a poor farm, while in his neighborhood Captain Cleveland, now a jolly fox-hunter, resides in his hospital hall, and arouses the neighborhood at the first blush of morning with his cheerful tally ho, and the still bay of his spotted hounds.

Captain Lowe and his wife are not consid-

ered to be the oracles of the village, and both

have abundant cause to rejoice that they met

the deck of the pirates of the Oronoko.

PICTURE OF AN IRISHMAN.

An Irishman is a man with two ideas, not better than one; to wit, a right one and a wrong one: between which, like two stools, his wit comes constantly to the ground. Then it is as natural for him to "blunder as to breathe"; his sign is Taurus, for he is constantly uttering

idle words with horns to them. Verily the experienced matador of Seville would be sorely asked to encounter all the bulls which come out of his mouth. Hence he is a Catholic by nationality: for the Pope makes bulls likewise, and is therefore a mere Irishman born at Rome. For the rest of his religion he confesses to, at least, nine of the seven mortal sins; and, above all, Sabbath breaking by which he understands eating flesh on Friday. In his politics he is commonly a patrizen, his main aversion being a trumper; or, as he describes him, a man who sits on both sides of the house at once. He holds the Emerald Isle to be the brightest ruby in the English crown; and recommends England and Ireland to unite in repealing the union.

"Hallo! shipmate," said a hoarse voice beside him, "you seem to have lost your reckoning; let me pilot you to a harbor."

The stranger turned, and behold the captain of the Despatch stood before him.

"Captain Lowe," said the grateful shipmate.

"Captain Cleveland," said the astonished Captain Lowe, and they were locked in each other's arms.

After a thousand eager questions and answers Captain Lowe accompanied Captain Cleveland to his home.

A light gleamed from the casement of the two friends entered the flower yard that stretched out in front of the prettiest cottage in Norfolk, and as they ascended the door step, a beautiful woman, the perfect image of the gray maiden of the Despatch, but apparently many years older, sprang upon Captain Cleveland's neck and kissed him, but seeing the stranger, she blushed, and retiring a step or two, said, "why George! you should have told me you had a stranger with you!" Told you said the laughing captain, smoothing his ruffel bosom, "why sounds you didn't give me a chance to breathe; but

which deceived him with constant promises of escape by a short turn, and by skilful bending plied with, and the consequences, as the proposal, and a most industrious chase of some fifteen minutes, he was cornered at last, and secured by the hind leg.

"A hog," said he, dragging him along with the greatest gravity, "bates a straight line like a pizen. If they'd run right in end, you'd never catch em in nature. Like some folks, isn't it? Bay, fetch me a skrimmish of them whole corn."

He drove the hog before him wheel-barrow fashion, into an open cow-pen and put up the bars. The boy (his son who had been waiting for him outside the barn) brought him a few ears of ripe corn, and as soon as the hog had recovered his breath a little, he threw them into a pen, and drew a knife from his pocket, which he whetted on the rail before him.

"Now," said he, as the voracious animal, unaccustomed to such appetizing food, seized ravenously on the corn, "it's according to law to take up a stray hog and feed him, isn't it?"

"Certainly."

By this time the greedy creature began to show symptoms of choking, and my friend's design became clearer.

"And it's christian charity," he continued, letting down the bars, and stepping in as the hog rolled upon his side, "not to let your neighbor lose his critters by choking, if you can kill em in time and save their meat, isn't it?"

"Certainly."

"Wal!" said he, cutting the animal's throat, "you can send word to the owner o' that pork to come and take him away, and if he don't like to, salt down at a moment's notice, he'll keep the rest at home and pay you for yr or corn.—And that's the way the deacon saved my hogs, darn his long face, and I eat the pork till I was sick of the sight on't."

From the New York Journal of Commerce.

ANOTHER LESSON TO THE MALAY PIRATES.

It will be seen by the annexed letters, that the U. S. frigate Columbia, and corvette John Adams, under command of Commodore Read, have inflicted a signal vengeance upon the Malay towns, Qualla Batoo and Muk Kee, on the Island of Sumatra, for the connexion they were supposed to have had with the piracy and murders committed in their waters on board the American ship Eclipse, of Salem. Qualla Batoo was once before visited by one of our frigates, the Potomac, and all her forts demolished. For this reason, or some other, Qualla Batoo, on the present occasion, suffered only a moderate infliction, while Muk Kee, a town about 40 miles distant, was demolished and burnt. No lives were lost on the American side, and our letters, do not state that any of the Malays perished. The towns appear to have been deserted in anticipation of the attack. The necessity of such severe measures is to be regretted; but in dealing with savages and pirates, no other mode seems practicable for the protection of our commerce and the lives of our citizens. We trust the Malays will now come to the conclusion that *their own interest* requires them to restrain their cruelty from being exercised upon defenceless merchantmen which may visit their coast. They probably, until the arrival of the Potomac, supposed that America was too remote or too feeble, to protect its commerce in those seas. It is to be hoped that this delusion is now dissipated, and that hereafter our seamen and cargoes in that quarter will find the flag of their country an ever protection.

The bombardment of Qualla Batoo took place on the 23d of December, and that of Muk Kee on the 1st of January.

U. S. FRIGATE COLUMBIA Harbor of Singapore, Feb. 5th, 1839.

I have an antipathy to write a document for a newspaper, but I promised occasionally to send you a letter, and feel indebted to do so in view of the pleasure your paper give me when I am so fortunate as to receive them on my winding track over the oceans of the world.—And you will be desirous of knowing what our Squadron has been doing on the west coast of Sumatra, or whether we have done any thing, after you shall have received intelligence of the piratical act of the Malays in the robbery of another American vessel, and the murder of her captain and one of the crew.

The plot for the attack of the ship Eclipse, Captain Wilkins, was originated at Muk Kee, some 40 miles from Qualla Batoo; and part of the persons who committed this murder and robbery, have been protected by the Rajahs of Muk Kee, and a great proportion of the property and money taken to that place. This, therefore, was deemed the principal abiding place. We learn that the \$12,000 was divided out, and some of it was received at Qualla Batoo and also to Suo-Suo, a place three or four miles from Qualla Batoo, and at both of these, according to the acknowledgements of the Rajahs in the conversation held with them, some of the pirates were residing on our arrival on the coast. The demand for these men having been made, and compliance being declared to be impossible as the men had escaped after our anchorage, (which however was deemed to be only an excuse to render their refusal to comply with the demand an appearance of a misfortune to them, rather than a decision of their councils,) our ships were run in near to the shore at Qualla Batoo, and the place commanded, with some damage to the town, or rather to the fort, as they were the object at which

the plots were directed.

The ships we got there underweigh and learned Judge puts our revolutionary fathers stood on Muk-Kee, where the demand for the clearly in the wrong. They should have quietly pirates was made, without the expectation of submitted to the stamp act and the writs of assent of the Rajahs of that place pursuing any course sanguine, as the "odium consensus, natura different from the one adopted by the Rajahs vox est."—Boston Post.

OXFORD DEMOCRAT.

PARIS, JUNE 11, 1839.

MONEY! MONEY!

We earnestly pray at this our audience who are called to us for the Democrat for one or more years to say, at least a part of what is due, immediately. We are subject to great inconvenience and embarrassment in consequence of the neglect of those who do not pay promptly.

Those residing out of town can remit the amount due by mail directed to the Postmaster, Paris, Mr. which will be promptly received for.

Those in this town we shall be very happy to wait upon at the Democrat Office.

All indebted for Advertising or Job Printing whose accounts have been standing more than three months will be settled without delay or further notice.

VIRGINIA ELECTION.

We have not yet received complete returns of the election in Virginia. Enough, however, has been returned to render it certain that the Democrats have carried the State. Last year, in the Legislature of the State, the federal and conservative parties had entire control.

The returns already received show a democratic gain sufficient to give us a majority on joint ballot, and consequently ensure us a Senator in place of Mr. Rivers, whose term expired last March.

The election for Members of Congress has gone decidedly in favor of the Administration, having elected twelve out of the twenty-one. In the last Congress there were reelected ten Members for the Administration, six Whigs and three Conservatives, besides whom there was a nominal democrat, who voted against the independent treasury bill, and a nominal whig who voted trait. The latter is reelected, and the former has been superseded by a decided friend of the independent treasury.

Virginia may now be counted as certain for the re-election of Mr. Van Buren vs Maine or New Hampshire.

There are some men in the ranks of the opposition who are professed to be democrats, and, perhaps, act upon democratic principles, but who now decay modern democracy as of a spurious nature. They would make the people believe that they are still democrats, though supporters of monopolies and various aristocratic institutions—that instead of changing the names the party has changed. They are even bold enough to declare that if the principles of the anti-slavery party were those of the new party, they would cheerfully join them. But are the principles of the party changed as they pretend? Look at and study the principles and policy as advocated at present by Thomas Jefferson, which may be considered as a fair sample of the democratic principles and policy of our times. Read his public documents, his books or his private correspondence, indiscriminately, and you find them saturated throughout with the same love of liberty, the same spirit which characterizes the democracy of the present day. They are the same principles which are advocated by the yeomanry of the land—the home and show of democracy—whose talents have not been blotted with wealth and whose honest ways has not been perverted by a system of false reasoning. Its principles of impenetrable justice and equal rights are, as it were engraven upon the heart. They have been advanced and maintained in truth by the unprivileged classes of all ages, when they have examined them and thought for themselves. The farmers and mechanics—whose very interest renders them the lovers of justice—will

unfailingly explain the principles of democracy in so clear a manner as to confound the advocates and supporters of monopolies and special privileges—whether to be otherwise than aristocratic in their tendencies and destructive to our free institutions.

Read the public documents of Andrew Jackson and of Martin Van Buren, or listen to the conversation of the intelligent working man, and you will find all advocating the great principles of democracy, which are, however, not always the same. Examine for yourselves and see who has changed, the advocates of equal rights and equal privileges, who practice what they preach, or the supporters of monopolies and special privileges, who profess what they do not possess.

These evils require instant redress; and it is for the community, and the friends of education especially, to wake up with new zeal, search out the causes of their decline, and apply the remedies, which shall raise our schools to that high elevation their importance demands.

FOR THE DEMOCRAT. OUR COMMON SCHOOLS.

It is a common method of action in most pursuits of life, to change those measures which prove inefficient in obtaining their object; but in education mankind act strangely different. The object to be obtained, is well known, plainly understood, and highly prized;—but the measures to obtain this object, though known to be inefficient are still pursued. The object of our Common Schools was known, perhaps defined, in the earliest days of New-England. The education of all classes of the community, was a principle engrained into her first policies, and received the undivided support of the Pilgrim Fathers of N. E. They were considered, as indeed they were in those days, nurseries of science, morality, and religion. They were to be free, free to all. None were too high, none too low, to receive instruction in them. Their happy influence soon began to be felt, and they continued to receive the fostering care of the whole community. The clergy gave their hands to the work of making them popular and useful, and the legislator forgot not that they were the foundations of freedom and Liberty.

As the principles of education became better understood, additions were made to the system of common school instruction, till our free school system became the delight and wonder of the world. An intelligent, virtuous and religious community was its legitimate offspring. About the close of the revolution retrograde movements appear to have been made. The interest which had been manifested in them appears to have declined. It is a little remarkable that at this period, when secured in the liberties, which this system was undoubtedly a great means of effecting, that a lethargy should have been manifested and retrograde movements made. But such is the fact. From information and observation gathered and made by the Secretary of the Board of Education in Mass., it is proved beyond denial, that the common schools of Mass. are not so good as at the close of the Revolution. This alarming fact has awakened the dormant powers of the philanthropist, and the cause of their decline have been minutely traced.

Remedies are about to be applied and new measures adopted, which must give them an onward movement. But how is it with us?

Are our common schools on the advancement, or are we taking the retrograde step?

These are important inquiries for every friend of education to make.

It is certain that in their present condition, they are inadequate to accomplish the object for which they were intended.

The instruction there given should be sufficiently ample, to qualify all to fill any station to which the community may call them. The whole property of the State is now pledged to this generous cultivation, and it certainly could not be pledged to a more worthy object.

There is perhaps no tax paid more willingly, than that for the support of our common schools, and it must be admitted there is no money raised by taxation which is so carelessly spent.

Why is this?—The farmer when he sells to the fields his "surplus," looks well that they earn the amount of their hire; but the Teacher is sent to the school room and if he makes no disturbance in the neighborhood, his duty is well performed. Instead of our schools now being measures of morality and religion, the complaint is made, and I fear with too much justice, that they are schools of immorality and vice.

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Norway, June 4th, 1839.

The Federal editors, in finding fault with the conduct of our State authorities in connection with our frontier trouble, are making themselves appear very ridiculous. Thought it well known these accusations of mismanagement &c. are mere "clap-trap,"—got up for party purposes. If the State authorities had pursued a different course, even the one which the federalists say should have been pursued, it would have been all the same. They must have something to grumble about let the Democracy pursue what measures they will. They are the war party in peace and the peace party in war.

KENNEBEC DAM. We learn from the Augusta Banner that the Dam itself has not received any material injury. All the damage which has been sustained, is the demolition of the canal west of the Dam, and the loss of the Mill, &c. the particulars of which will be found in another column, and the washing away of some four or five acres of land at a depth varying from twenty to sixty feet.

It is thought by some that it will be rather an advantage to the proprietors than otherwise, as the current has exposed a ledge extending entirely across the new channel, and by throwing a Dam from the abutment of the main Dam to the shore the whole would stand forever.

An exchange paper does not approve of the very common practice of borrowing a Newspaper, and says a man had better borrow a shirt.

So he had; it is a real shiftless trick. He had better subscribe and pay for a paper in advance than do either; then the pockets of publishers would not so often be infested with duns and threats of distress, nor would subscribers be so frequently annoyed with "Mr. just lend me your paper a few moments," and nine times in ten before he had read a word in it himself.

We have frequently had papers discontinued in consequence of the frequent applications made for the loan of them by these pests of society, Newspaper borrowers.

We should as soon think of asking a man to loan us his breakfast.

A western editor, who has just been getting married, says: "Every man who has just regard for his country should raise something."

From the Bangor Dem.-at.

THE FEDERAL CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR.

The Kennebec Journal says there is "no trout whatever" in the intimations of the Dem-

ocrat, "that there is or has been a diversity of opinion in the whig ranks about the nomination

of Edward Kent for Governor."

Would the hand with having gone too far, and on the oth-

er, who takes ability has done. This writer's own name is the Cons-taking eye never friend. Although says he, the nation's acts was numberless it seems Bon ender it the how Meas. Cou see heart loud.

"We doubt whether any candidate for Governor was ever more successful in uniting his political friends in his support. In fact his administration of one year can be referred to with pride and pleasure by every true whig. It is true that nothing of consequence was attempted in the way of internal improvements. The state of the treasury and the embarrassment of business forbade this at the time."

Before the nomination, the Portland Advertiser "was pleased to intimate," and other federal papers were not backward in re-establishing the *intimation*.

"If it is to be understood, as has been alleged, that the State has condemned his [Kent's] course of policy, in those measures by which his administration has been mainly distinguished, it is not very likely that his [Kent] will be ambitious to appeal to another trial before the same tribunal nor is it to be presumed that he will be easily drawn again from his present eligible position."

By this it would seem that there was some difference of opinion between these two organs and their respective friends, arising no doubt from considerations of expediency, and because Mr. Kent had not realized the expectations of his friends. If his administration of one year can be referred to with pride and pleasure by every true whig, it demonstrates one fact of considerable importance, that there are very many men professing whig principles who are not in reality true whigs, a truth which will be made more fully to appear in September.

Although "nothing of consequence was attempted in the way of internal improvements," yet promises are held out for the "When the whites are again in power they will endeavor to do something towards developing the resources of the States." Thus it ever is, our opponents always make splendid promises and invariably forget them as soon as an opportunity of redeeming them is presented. They are prodigal of promises—they promised to settle the Boundary line, promised to make Maine a great and flourishing State, promised a succession of "whig victories," and made other promises, too numerous to mention and which they would not or could not redeem.

From the Eastern Argus.

THE BOUNDARY TROUBLES.

The opposition seem determined to make the Boundary question the great topic of discussion, during the political campaign which is approaching in this State. Deprived of all their old subjects of complaint—heaven from every one of their ancient positions—assumed any longer

to sound the banner-cries under which they so long rallied their forces for defeat, they have seized now, with the recklessness of despair, and with that infatuation which is the sure forerunner of destruction, upon the very matter, above all others, which they can least afford to agitate, and from the consideration of which the Democracy cannot fail to derive enduring advantage. We are not sorry that they have thus chosen their ground. We could wish, to be sure, that on a subject like this, of common interest to the State, and in which all the community have an equal interest, there might be a unanimity of sentiment and action. To effect such a result, the friends of the administration have exhibited the most ardent wish. They have endeavored earnestly, and by all honorable means, to make the Boundary question a *State* question, rather than a *party* one—a matter of general agreement, rather than a house of political strife. Recent events, have demonstrated, however, the utter folly of any such efforts. The conduct of the federalists, for the last few months, has proved, most conclusively, what, indeed their whole history manifests, that they are incapable of sincerely uniting with honest men, for a worthy purpose—that their sanguine spirit never fails to predominate over their professions of good will—and that they only seek the friendship of their opponents, in order to find an opportunity for basely betraying it.

In proof of this we need only refer to the course of the opposition since January last—a course, the baseness of which is fresh in the memory of our readers, who will wonder at the folly of the Federal press, in inviting to witness it the public eye. The truth is, however, as we have already said, that the subject of the N. E. Boundary is taken up by these presses, from a sheer want of other and more profitable topics. It being a matter in which the people have a deep interest, they hope, by misrepresentation and deception, to make it available for the accomplishment of their party ends. The game has already commenced.—The foul finders have begun their warfare—a warfare as indiscriminate, as it is unjustifiable and disgraceful. Gov. Fairfield is blamed alternately for errors of a directly opposite nature.—While the Kennebec Journal and the Bangor Whig are abusing him for his discretion overmuch, the Portland Courier, and the Gazette are claiming him for his headlong zeal and excessive rashness. He is charged, on the one

hand, for having gone too far, and on the other

er, with not having gone far enough. Both of these charges cannot well be true. Probably there is as much truth in one as the other.—The presumption from such counter opinions is, that the course of the Governor was *about* right.

The Courier of Thursday evening introduces a new writer on the subject. And the editor takes occasion in advance, to speak of his signal ability, and the triumphant manner in which he has demolished the present State Administration. This editorial labor was quite unnecessary. The writer referred to, shows himself able to do his own *puffing*. He introduces himself with all the pomp and dignity of a second Daniel.—Conscious of the Herculean labor he is undertaking, he takes care to intimate his competency to perform it. His task he assures us, has never been properly attended to before. "His friends have been remiss" in doing their duty. Although they have had the advantage of being opposed only by stupid dolts, "profoundly ignorant of the facts," yet they have suffered, he says, the public mind to be "poisoned by falsehood." All this, we suppose, is now to be changed. The whole matter is to be made clear as daylight, in favor of the opposition, by the transcendent efforts of this young Webster, whose resplendent genius is to dispel every shade of darkness from the minds of the people, and bring the community, one and all, to the support of our "noble Kent." In the execution of this great purpose, the writer travels back a little into antiquity—though not a *very remote* antiquity. He very conveniently goes farther than to the rejection of the award by the Dutch King—prudently omitting to look at the acts of the Administration by which that arbiter was selected, and passing over in silence the numerous unfortunate and blundering admissions, which it made upon this subject. This, it seems to us, is too important a portion of the Boundary history to be thus slighted. We shall endeavor, therefore, in our humble way, to give it that prominence which it deserves. This, however, must be deferred to a future article. Meanwhile, we agree with the writer in the Courier, that it is desirable that men should see what sort of patriotism has animated the hearts of those gentleman, who now boast so loudly of their services and merits."

Does not the Age see the immediate effect of the agreement has been to put an end to all controversy and all concern about the matter in England and elsewhere. [K. Journal.]

We do not see that such has been the effect of the agreement. We trust that such will not be its effect. We have reason to know, that so far as the United States Government is concerned, the deepest interest is felt in relation to the matter, and the most earnest and vigorous efforts are making to bring it to an amicable and speedy conclusion. Without any certain knowledge upon the subject, we yet feel at liberty to entertain a strong hope that such terms will be agreed upon for a joint survey of the line, as shall be both consistent with national rights and satisfactory to the people of Maine.

If our sister states have lost all "concern" about the matter, it is news to us. The high stand taken by this State—the discussion which ensued—the triumphant resistance made to the threatened aggression of a foreign power—the readiness with which Maine, having humbled and defeated the aggressor, fell back upon amicable ground, in obedience to the earnest entreaties of sister States, desirous of averting war if it could be done consistently with national honor—all these occurrences have created, throughout the country, not only a deep interest in the controversy, but a strong friendship, respect, and sense of obligation towards Maine, which we regard as of the utmost importance to the preservation of our rights.

It may be that Great Britain is unconcerned—the Journal's party, perhaps, ought to know best about it; but we cannot believe, even upon their assurances, that her Majesty's Government can be devious, to protract a controversy which is dangerous, and, if protracted, will prove fatal, to the peace of the two countries. Age.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR FRIENDS!

The New York Times, the conservative paper in New York city, copies with approbation an article from the New York Star, the leading federal paper in that city, finding fault because the democratic administration has not extended greater lenity to Swartwout, the great conservative-whig Delinquent.

The immediate cause of the out-break is the fact that the U. S. Marshall has advertised for sale the property of Swartwout's sureties. The conservative organ says, "it cannot be supposed that the summary proceedings of the Government will be sustained by the people in this case." The federal organ is more fair, for it admits that the Government "has no power to give time, or compromise." We extract the following from its article:

"It has been asked by many persons 'Why does not the Government give Mr. Swartwout four or five years to settle his business, sell his property, and pay his debts?' The answer probably is, that the Government has no power to give time, or compromise; but it is clearly evident that Congress should give a general power to the Secretary of the Treasury to settle and liquidate such claims by granting time, compromising, &c. &c. precisely as is done in transactions between citizen and citizen, and that all disputed claims shall be settled by a decision of a jury. The defalcations of Swartwout are of a peculiar character. He dipped deeply in every speculation afloat—stocks, mines, real estate, Texas lands, &c. &c. He was always a buyer and never a seller; consequently, on discovering the amount of defalcations, it was also ascertained that the money

From the Augusta Arg. MELANCHOLY DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY.

While we write, (Monday Morning) the bulk of the Kennebec river flows in a new channel, cut by the force of the water around the west end of Kennebec Dam. Several acres of land have been removed already, and the process still goes on. We should judge that by yesterday morning 20 rods width of land west of the canal had been removed. Of course 30 or 40 rods of the County road have disappeared. The water continues to wear upon the bank, and it is difficult to say where it will end. We believe, however, that the career of destruction is about ended for the present. Since Saturday, the water has fallen off five or six feet, both above and below the Dam; and although it will take several days to draw off the pond which had been raised by the dam, the water will be falling off daily, and its effect upon the bank diminishing.

The leak commenced from above the guard gates in the wet canal, through the embankment to the river below the dam. It was discovered about 2 o'clock Friday morning. Immediate efforts were made to stop it, but without success. There being a smart freshet, the canal was full, and the pressure of the water very great. It soon found itself a passage, which continued to enlarge with fearful rapidity. The force of the water swept everything before it, when a little after six o'clock, it had made a clear breach through the embankment and canal walls, round the dam into the bed of the river below.

Those who are acquainted with the locality, will remember that the bank at this point was very precipitous. During the whole day, Friday, it was rapidly undermined and fell in large masses, sometimes from a height of 50 or 60 feet, with noise resembling distant thunder.

By noon it had eaten into the bank quite ten rods, and swept away the canal wall and embankment quite down to the site of a block of 6 Saw-mills, which had just been completed, about twenty rods from the point where the water first forced a passage. The mills rested upon massive walls of granite, and they were thoroughly built in every particular, the foundations guarded with spikes. They resisted the tremendous force of the current for a long time; but scarce a vestige now remains to show where they stood. The two upper mills in the block broke off, and were swept away about 2 o'clock Saturday morning. About 8 o'clock, the main part of a dwelling-house, belonging to the Dam Company (formerly E. T. Bridge's) situated on the west side of the road nearly opposite the mills, tumbled from the bank, leaving the ell which hung upon the brink until afternoon. About 9 o'clock, two more of the mills were swept away, and the remaining two about eleven o'clock forenoon. The house fell into the river unbroken, but was crushed partly by the force of the current, and partly by striking against the mill foundations. Fears were entertained that the bridge might be injured by the mills; and it was a contemplation, Friday, to blow them up with powder. The fears proved groundless. Thenills were broken in pieces as they fell, scarcely one timber holding to another, when they reached the bridge. A part of the gearing of the mills, and the windows, doors, &c. of the house were saved.

During Saturday and Sunday the water continued to wear away the bank, then about two o'clock Sunday, it had reached the mansion house of the late Judge Bridge, situated about 25 rods west from the natural bank of the river, and sixty or seventy feet above is level. The main part of the house would have fallen Sunday evening, but it had been principally removed. The wings are still standing. The stone abutment at the west end of the dam, as well as the dam itself, remain standing. The water is low upon the dam, and very soon will all flow in the new channel, leaving the dam, not across the river, but across the channel where it formerly ran. The destruction of property is immense—we will not undertake to estimate it. It falls heavily upon some of our citizens, and must be regretted also as a great public calamity, which will materially affect the business prospects of this town and the vicinity.

Fears are entertained also that the navigation of the river below the bridge may be obstructed, by the washing in of so much land from above; but the extent of the injury in this particular cannot be ascertained at present.

The old Court House in Salem has been razed to the ground. Well, we spent a week of trial in it once. A man sued us for \$10,000; we contended against him just as fiercely as though we had \$10,000 to lose, and by George won the battle. Mr Choate was counsel for the plaintiffs, and the manner in which he basted editors in general, and us in particular, was severe; but when Mr Saltonstall spoke in reply, he turned the scales in favor of innocence and patriotism—which means the Est—at once and instead of paying \$10,000, the Jury decided that one dollar and twenty cents was as much as they could ask us to pay over.

Mem.—Mr Saltonstall is a good lawyer, but an awful politician.—Boston Post.

The Sweets of Matrimony.—Andy in New York recently applied for a divorce, because her husband insisted on licking her molasses stopple every time the jug was used, a prerogative which she considered peculiar her own.

Conundrums.—Why is a man no makes a pence of a cent, like a person recovering from illness? He is a little better.

Why is a fool like twenty hundred weight? He's a simple ton.

Temerity.—A writer in the Boston Medical doubt whether the use of tobacco is as pernicious as it has been represented to be. He says:

"It does appear to me, so far as my observation has extended, that the class of people who use tobacco in chewing or smoking, are the most robust and healthy part of the community. None chew and smoke more than sailors, and certainly they are a hardy and robust class. Many elderly women are confined to their pipe as to their food, smoking regularly after every meal, and live to a good old age."

Cross Readings. We understand that Dr Channing has been appointed to the command of a squadron to cruise after slave ships. He will hoist his broad pennant to-day, on board the—*utter of rose*, a present from Mr J. Q. Adams to—Hugabonah, the renowned emperor of Congo. Boston Post.

STANDARD PAINTING.—One of the best standards Codman ever attempted he is now finishing. The design is, on one side, the Arms of the State, and on the other the Passage of the Delaware. This centre-piece is admirably executed—about the neatest thing we have seen from his pencil. We understand the standard is intended for the Frontier Guards, Calais. It will be the handsomest standard in the State, we will venture to say. It may not be amiss to hint to those who wish for standards, that there is not an artist in New England who can furnish them in better style and of superior painting than Codman of this city.—Portland Transcript.

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Died in Bucksfield on the 6th inst. Cyrus Shaw, son of Nathaniel and Martha Shaw, in the 10th year of his age.

It was the lot of the writer to be personally acquainted with the deceased from a residence with him in Norway at the same house and with the same family.

At the time of his sickness, he was engaged as an apprentice.

He was worthy and respected. We lament his loss; we mourn his early departure from our social circle.

But his virtues still linger, deep enshrined in our memory. He was one who feared God and sacredly regarded Christ and his blessed instructions, by the influence of which, to a very good degree, he was manifestly governed. "By their fruits shall ye know them."

He was kind and faithful. His associates, and all who knew him well, will fondly remember that he was pleasant and cheerful, kind and respected. But God has called him hence; his vigorous earthly constitution and youthful looks are exchanged for the immortal organization, and the robes of celestial purity and bliss. O friend Cyrus, silent and peaceful remain your ashes; we lament thy early exit; and while we bethew thy pleasant grave with tears, it is with the fullest expectation that we shall meet you again in the world of nating joy and ceaseless praise.

L. P. R.

OBITUARY.

Died in Poland on the 22nd ult., by Rev. L. P. Rand. Mr. Daniel Herring to Miss Clarissa Harris, both of Poland.

MARRIED.

IN POLAND, on the 22nd ult., by Rev. L. P. Rand.

WILL BE SOLD, agreeable to license from the Judge of Probate of the County of Oxford, at public Auction

at the late dwelling house of Earl Wood late of Turner in said county, deceased, on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of June next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, the whole of the real estate of said deceased, subject to the widow's dower therein. Said estate consists of the homestead of said deceased, and about ten acres of land situated at Norway-Village.

One undivided 1/2 of the Douglass farm, so called,

situated in Portland, containing in all about 150 acres—

One lot of land on Washington street, near the Bridge, containing about 1/2 an acre.

One Gaylord's Iron Safe, weight 1261 lbs.

Two shares in Bangor Steam Boat.

4½ in common and undivided of 62,623 acres of land situated in Jefferson, Clearfield and Centre Counties, State of Pennsylvania.

45 M No 60, 1 Shingle.

35 M No. 2 do.

Pew No 60, in High Street Church.

6 Shares Brunswick Stock.

Sale to commence at 9 A.M.

The subscriber hereby gives public notice to all concerned, that he has been duly appointed and taken upon himself the trust of Administrator on the estate of

OLIVER HUBBARD.

late of Paris in the County of Oxford deceased, by giving bonds, to the value of £1000. He therefore requests all persons who are indebted to the said deceased's estate, to make immediate payment to him and those who have any demands thereon, to exhibit the same to him.

Paris May 26, 1839.

JAMES SPALDING.

Swedesboro.

100,000 SHINGLES!!

1B and second quality can be furnished to persons

who want, by the subscriber.

W. E. GOODNOW.

Norway, June 3d, 1839.

Grewell.

AUCTION.

WILL BE SOLD at public Auction to the highest bidder, on Monday, June 17, 1839, at the Office of Little & Sharpe, Portland. All of the Notes and Accounts due the late firm of Smith, Brown, & Co. being about 325 Notes and 50 unsettled accounts. Also at the same time and place an undivided 1/2 of a single Saw-mill and double Grist-mill, with about 8 acres of land situated at Norway-Village.

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ROXEL WHITMAN.

Turner, May 23d, 1839.

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE.

NO. 100, the undersigned holds a Mortgage, executed to him by one Moses R. Mason of Waterford in the County of Oxford, State of Maine, dated May the 4th, 1830, of a part of lot No. two in the fifth range, and part of lot No. two in the sixth range of Lots in said town of Waterford, to secure the payment of five several notes of hand bearing date with said mortgage. Said mortgage was recorded in the Oxford Registry of Deeds, Book 32, pages 45 & 46, to which reference may be had for a more particular description of the premises. Now, therefore, be it known that the conditions of said mortgage have been broken, and the undersigned gives this notice for the purpose of foreclosing.

PETER GERRY.

Waterford, May 27, 1839.

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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the undersigned holds a Mortgage, executed to him by one Daniel P. Rand, in Lowell in the County of Oxford, at public Auction, at the late dwelling house of Earl Wood late of Turner in said county, deceased, on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of June next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, the whole of the real estate of said deceased, subject to the widow's dower therein. Said estate consists of the homestead of said deceased, and about ten acres of land situated in the town of Turnier.

TERMS MADE KNOWN AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF SALE.

At the time of his death, he was engaged as an apprentice.

